

Minutes for Nathfields

Recreation Board

Monday, April 30, 2007

6:00 p.m.

Nathfield Municipal Office

- 1.) Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Sally Davidson. Attending Sally Davidson, Frank Hall, Mike Honneville, Dan Difesa, Linda Hall, Lori Bussiere, Lisa Difesa, Nanci Allard

MARCH 12TH

- 1/2) Approval of minutes from ~~April 9, 2007~~ with changes (See attached minutes)  
Motion made by Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frank.  
Vote 5-0-2 (Lori + mike)

- 2) Sally wanted to know what the process is for use of fields + park?  
Nanci Allard okayed use of memorial park by 6<sup>TH</sup> grade class without involving Rec. Board. This was not done deliberately. Dan explained in previous years when school is in session the school is allowed to use the facilities and fields (Spring + Fall). Use of facilities should follow the

2.) cont.

procedures set up by the Rec Board. Request of use application form filled out and given to Director. Nanci Scheduling should be part of the Rec Board to do. Rec Board needs to review fee schedule and make recommendations to Selectboard.

Mike Honneville explained that in 2002 a form was to be filled out by organization or group requesting use of facilities. Charlee House (Town Manager at the time) kept a master schedule. Schedule started ~~on~~ ~~the~~ when a series of conflicts with youth soccer and men's softball occurred. Frank Pecora would submit a monthly schedule to Rec. Board. Everyone agreed this sounded like a good method to try and start using again. Rec. Board needs to address use of fields and "territorial issues". Nanci Allard to contact school personnel to start the ball rolling. Rec. Board to review all applications and give an okay, plus set up a master calendar.

Part time person in summer to maintain fields and help with clean up.

The Rec. Board at this time asked what is our role with personnel? Nanci explained that the "Part time Park Guy" is under the direction of Bill Lyons and is out of our budget. There has been a new position created of a Part time "Handyman" - will do anything needing attention, scheduling is to be done thru Bill Lyons. Nanci went on to discuss with us the pool personnel anything Rec. related Nanci is planning on running thru the board. Nanci was also hoping we would sit in on interviews for the Pool Director position. This made the Rec. Board very happy to be able to be part of the process and decision. It is the general feeling of the Rec. Board that Shannon is assuming she has the job. Patience is needed from both sides to get thru all of this. It is the Rec. Boards request that the Pool Director will meet with the Board regularly and work with us to make

things better. It was decided to interview the 3 applicants for the Pool Director position on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Starting at 6:15, 6:45, 7:15.

3.) It was decided to review applications on own. We will meet as a board at 5:30, before the start of interviews to put together our list of questions and set up interview procedure.

4.) Sally received a call from the Select Board. They are concerned with the fee being charged to the Summer Program. With the (hopefully) increase of number of participants and the full time use of the bathrooms at the pool, there could be a significant increase in water bill. There is also some concern with increasing the number of participants and the number of staff staying the same. Mike Gonnevile suggested charging same fee as previous years or increasing according to camper number.

increase. It was discussed that the staff cost was very high on their paper that they gave us. The Boys + Girls Club also received money at town meeting time. There is some question as to what do they put back into the community? Mike G made the motion to increase the fee charged to the Summer Program to \$750.00 for this year (the increase is in correspondence with the expected increase of number of participants) Motion second by Frank H. No more discussion needed. Vote 6-1-0.

5.) Mike G. came up with a fee schedule from 5-6 years ago. Sally wanted to know if a separate meeting was needed. The Board decided to tackle the pool fee schedule tonight and set another time to bring park + rec facilities fee schedule up to date. See attached fee schedule for changes. All fees increased 15%. A Daycare provider pass added. Family Pass defined. Resident defined as a tax payer in Northfield



Lou made a motion to increase all fees by a total of 15% with new definitions. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frank: No more discussion needed. Vote 7-0-0.

6.) It has been noted that Youth Sports in Northfield Charge a fee. It was then discussed that the money is used for officials / referees / ump's, State organization + National fees +/or ins, and the replacement of equipment. It is time for the Rec Board to review the use and cost of our parks and facilities and put into motion a plan for future organizations to follow.

Frank Hall accepted the donation from Rotary. Frank spoke about the Board and where we are heading. Sally will send a Thank You note.

7.) Next meeting will be May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for going over The Rec Facilities Fee Schedule

May 9<sup>th</sup> will be for interviewing Pool Director applicants. Board to meet at 5:30 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> interview 6:15, 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:45, 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:15.

Next regular Rec Board meeting is scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup> (change due to town meeting) 6:00 p.m.

7 1/2.) Loui needed to add in as of  
4/27/07 \$ 7121.79 includes 507.75 for  
life jackets.

The discussion then led to the handling  
of pool money everyday. Mike G.  
told us that in 2001 Stewart Robinson  
(member of Rec. Board then) would get  
tally sheet + financial records from  
pool everyday. He would check sign in  
sheet with pass purchases. The thought  
this sounded like a good idea. It would  
the Boards request that every night  
the money bag gets dropped off at  
the municipal office in the night deposit.  
Loui to pick up in the a.m and proof  
bag. There is also a need for some  
new umbrellas. Dan to look into Coke-  
donating some.

8.) Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m  
Motion made by Loui, 2nd by Lao